

The Oldest Man in the World.

[From the Madison (Wis.) Journal.]

We will not assert that the oldest of living men is a resident of Wisconsin, but we challenge any other State or country to produce a man or woman who has attained the age reached by Joseph Cole now residing in the town of Caledonia, Columbia county, in this State.

Joseph Cole was born in Detroit, of French parents. The record of his baptism in the Catholic Church of that city shows that he is now 139 years of age. He has been a resident of Wisconsin for about a century. He married in New Orleans, 109 years ago.

Some years after he settled at Prairie du Chien, while Wisconsin was yet a province of France. Before the Revolutionary war, he was employed to carry letters between Prairie du Chien and Green Bay. It is but a few years ago, that he was called as a witness in the Circuit Court, in a case involving the title to certain real estate at Prairie du Chien, to give testimony in relation to events that transpired eighty years before. He now resides with a daughter by his third wife, who is over seventy years of age.

The residence of the family is only four or five miles out of Portage City. The old man is still active, is able to chop wood and walk several miles. He speaks English quite imperfectly, but converses fluently in the French language. He stoops a little under the burden of years, but not more than many men of seventy. In person he is rather above the medium height—sare in flesh, but showing evidence of having been in his prime a man of sirewy strength. Concerning his habits, a subject of much interest in connection with an instance of such extraordinary longevity, we have been able to learn but little, except that he is an inveterate smoker.

The tribe of female ranters, of which Miss Anna E. Dickinson is the type, seems to be getting larger. Mrs. F. E. Watkins Harper has been speaking at Philadelphia, before a negro club, known as the "Social, Civil, and Statistical Association of the Colored People of Pennsylvania." She is a negress. A Philadelphia Republican paper says that "several critics pronounce her equal to Miss Dickinson, and some give her credit for even greater merit." She is accompanied by "the Black Swan." Another female orator, Miss Lizzie Bell, is advertised to speak at Providence on "Woman's Capabilities and Duties."

The arid waste of the Desert of Sahara, under the hands of enterprising Frenchmen, is to be clad with verdure, and water is to spring up in abundance to the surface where-soever required. Five places are named where deep wells have been sunk on the artesian principle, and the result has been a flood of water to the surface, continuous and vast. Beside this, there is something for the epicure, who, on his travels, has tasted only dried meat; daries, and dried fish for fish have come to the surface with the steam, which flows from some mysterious source beneath the crust of the earth.

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In Second Ward: Polls at Council Chamber, Jesse R. Sherwood, Edward Burchell, and Jno. T. Taylor, Commissioners.

In Third Ward: Polls at Court House, Jas. M. Stewart, Jno. Moore, and Jefferson Tacey, Commissioners.

In Fourth Ward: Polls at northwest corner of Prince and Alfred streets. Wm. Arnold, Henry S. Martin, and O. C. Whittlesey, Commissioners.

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